

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS  
AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte NAKAYUKI YAMAMOTO & TERUOMI ITO

Appeal No. 2000-0317  
Application 08/913,056<sup>1</sup>

ORDER REMANDING TO EXAMINER

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On January 10, 2000 applicants filed a timely Reply Brief (Paper No. 12). The record does not contain a response from the Examiner stating whether the Reply Brief has been entered, and if entered, what effect the Reply Brief has on the pending rejections. See Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, § 1208.03.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is remanded to the Examiner for:

- 1) consideration of the Reply Brief filed January 10, 2000;
- 2) notification of said consideration to appellant; and
- 3) for such further action as may be appropriate.

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<sup>1</sup> Application for patent filed October 22, 1997.

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It is important that the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences be informed promptly of any action affecting the appeal.

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